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SUBJ FISCAL YEAR 1977 NARCOTICS CONTROL ACTION PLANS --
OPERATIONAL SUPPORT COSTS

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1. THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES ARE BEING REPEATED TO POSTS
WHICH HAVE RECEIVED OR REQUESTED CCINC FUNDING FOR OPERA-
TIONAL SUPPORT COSTS. THESE GUIDELINES SHOULD BE INCLUDED
AS PART VI, 4 OF REFTEL.

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2. GUIDELINES FOLLOW:

OPERATIONAL SUPPORT COSTS -- OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS, THERE HAVE BEEN INCREASING REQUESTS FOR CCINC FUNDING TO SUPPORT A PORTION OF THE LOCAL OPERATING COSTS OF FOREIGN NARCOTIC ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS. ADEQUATE BUDGETARY SUPPORT FROM DOMESTIC GOVERNMENT REVENUES IS AN ESSENTIAL COMPONENT IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF EFFECTIVE AND SELF-SUSTAINING ENFORCEMENT INSTITUTIONS. YET, IN SOME CASES, EXISTING BUDGETING REGULATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS LIMIT THE USE OR AVAILABILITY OF GOVERNMENT BUDGETARY RESOURCES FOR CERTAIN OPERATIONAL COSTS -- SUCH AS TRAVEL AND PER DIEM -- WHICH ARE CRITICAL TO SUCCESSFUL INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS.

THEREFORE, WE EXPECT EACH MISSION TO URGE COOPERATING GOVERNMENTS TO MAKE THE BUDGETARY ARRANGEMENTS NECESSARY TO COVER SUCH COSTS; HOWEVER FOR A LIMITED AND SPECIFICALLY DEFINED REPEAT SPECIFICALLY DEFINED PERIOD, WE ARE PREPARED TO CONSIDER THE USE OF CCINC RESOURCES TO ASSURE THAT HOST COUNTRY NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES CAN EFFECTIVELY CARRY OUT DRUG INVESTIGATIONS AND INTERDICTIONS. IN THIS REGARD, REQUEST FOR OPERATIONAL FUNDS SHOULD INCLUDE A STATEMENT ON MISSION'S PLAN FOR ENCOURAGING COOPERATING GOVERNMENTS TO ASSUME THESE COSTS.

3. GENERALLY, CCINC FUNDS WILL BE LIMITED TO SUPPORT OF LOCAL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH DOMESTIC TRAVEL AND SHORT-TERM PER DIEM RELATED TO SPECIFIC CCINC FUNDED ASSISTANCE PROJECTS WHICH CANNOT BE FINANCED FROM LOCAL BUDGETARY RESOURCES. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES CAN CCINC FUNDS BE USED TO FINANCE PAYMENT FOR INTELLIGENCE OR REWARDS. THE FUNDS ALSO CANNOT BE USED TO SUBVENT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OR OPERATIONAL COSTS OF ANY U.S. AGENCY PERSONNEL. (THIS RESTRICTION OF COURSE, DOES NOT INCLUDE NORMAL PROGRAM SUPPORT COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH FULL-TIME NARCOTICS ADVISERS OR OTHER FULL-TIME PERSONNEL WHOSE SALARIES ARE PAID FROM CCINC FUNDS, E.G., AID NARCOTICS ADVISERS AND RELATED SECRETARIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.) KISSINGER

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